

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

Att.: Investigative Division

DATE: 3/18/62

Office of Origin: MOBILE

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FROM : SAC, MOBILE (47-909) (P)

SUBJECT:

CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, aka Archie Abbott, Archie Armenio, "Shorty", Lt. John H. Emmett - FUGITIVE;
[REDACTED] GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, aka Jerry Patrick
IMPERSONATION; ITSMV

In order that a fugitive index card may be prepared without delay, the following information is furnished:

☐ Probation violator's warrant issued by USDC for District of _____, (date) _____

☒ Warrant issued by ☒ U. S. Commissioner ☐ Clerk, USDC at Mobile, Alabama, (date) 3/18/62

Name and Aliases:

CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, aka Archie Abbott, Archie Armenio, Lt. John H. Emmett, "Shorty"

FBI #

136 454 B

Other Identifying

"FUGITIVE CARDS
PREPARED 3-21-62 Date By [Signature]"

Offense Charged: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE

Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 2312

If an indictment or information is outstanding specify which, giving date and place of issuance: _____

Description

Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Race <u>White</u>	Complexion <u>Dark</u>	Age <u>36</u>	Birth date <u>6-24-26</u>	Birthplace <u>Warrens, Wisconsin</u>
Height <u>5'4 1/2"</u>	Weight <u>260</u>	Build <u>Medium</u>	Hair <u>Dk. Brown</u>	Eyes <u>Brown</u>	Residence
Nationality <u>American</u>	Unknown		Scars & marks <u>2 1/2" scar center of back, small scar back of thumb, left hand.</u>		

Characteristics

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Office Work

For information of listed offices, title previously carried as UNSUB, LT. JOHN H. EMMETT, ET AL; IMPERSONATION

Bureau
New Orleans (47-4674) (Info)
[REDACTED]

SAC, Mobile (47-203)

March 30, 1962

Director, FBI (47-50347)

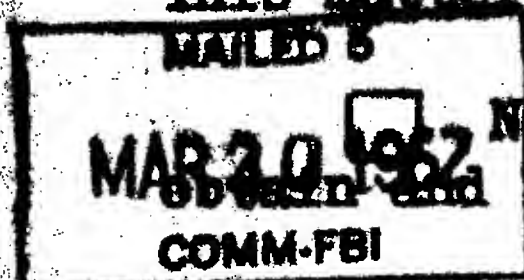
CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, aka., FUGITIVE
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☒ Enclosed is information extracted from subject's identification record which may be of lead value.

☐ Enclosed is information extracted from the identification record of an individual who may or may not be identical with subject. It is desired that you conduct appropriate investigation at an early date to determine whether these individuals are identical. The results of this investigation should be promptly submitted to the Bureau by letter marked for the attention of the Investigative Division, and should be included in the next investigative report from your office.

☐ Enclosed are data supplementing that previously furnished your office.

☐ A search of the name files of the Identification Division did not disclose a fingerprint record for the above-named fugitive. Your office should endeavor to develop any additional data that will identify this individual with a fingerprint record. A copy of his fingerprints, if available from any source, would be of material assistance. As complete a description as possible, together with any aliases that might have been used by the subject also should be obtained when interviewing relatives, acquaintances, and employers of the fugitive. Information concerning any enlistment in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard Services of the United States, should, of course, be procured concerning this individual. This matter should be pursued vigorously.



No photograph available in identification record. Endeavor to obtain and forward same to Identification Division.

Washington Field Office is requested to:

Tolson _____
Belmont _____
Mohr _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
DeLoach _____
Evans _____
Malone _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Winter _____

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Conduct appropriate service search(es) and advise office of origin.

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Obtain and forward to Identification Division copy of service prints if available.

NOT RECORDED

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Supervisor, Room 1515 (enclosures 2)

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There are transmitted two copies of subject's identification record, FBI #136 454 B, as disclosed by the files of the Identification Division.

The information listed below is a summary of the descriptive data appearing in this record:

Race	White
Born	June 24, 1926, Warrens, Wisconsin
Height	Approximately 5' 4 1/4"
Weight	The most recent fingerprint card shows 140 pounds
Complexion	Ruddy
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Teeth	Subject has lower plate, November, 1955; five crowned upper teeth, July, 1952
Scars and Marks	Scar on center of back; scar on back of left thumb or hand; pitted scar and small brown mole on right cheek, center; scar on left side of back or shoulder blade; large vaccination scar on left upper arm; scar on left index finger, inner or outer; small pitted scar on forehead, above right eye; scar on right thumb; brown mole on chest; pinhead mole on right side of neck; scar at base of middle finger on left hand, inner
Residences	1100 1/2 Superior Avenue, Tomah, Washington, February, 1956, June, 1955; General Delivery, Orland, California, January, 1956; 1205 North Nevada, Colorado Springs, Colorado, June, 1952; 844 North 33rd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, February, 1945, January, 1945; 1205 Hollister Avenue, Tomah, Wisconsin, June, 1934 to August, 1943
Occupations	Office worker; clerk; dairy worker; cook; clerical worker
Accomplice	Iris Alberta Follweiler, June, 1952
Remarks	Subject ears are small, November, 1955; subject is right handed, July, 1952

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The signature of this individual is available in the Identification Division. His fingerprint classification is as follows:

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Copies of subject's photograph were previously furnished your office on March 7, 1962, therefore one is not being submitted at this time.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MOBILE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MOBILE	DATE 3/21/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/23 - 3/14/62
TITLE OF CASE CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT aka Archie Abbott, Archie Armenio, "Shorty", Lt. John H. Bennett - FUGITIVE; GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR., aka Jerry Patrick		REPORT MADE BY SA HARRY J. DEGNAN	TYPED BY :gr
		CHARACTER OF CASE IMPERSONATION; ITSMV	

REFERENCES: Mobile teletype to New Orleans and Los Angeles dated 3/1/62. (Interoffice)

New Orleans teletype to Mobile and Los Angeles dated 3/2/62. (Interoffice)

Mobile teletype to St. Louis dated 3/5/62. (Interoffice)

St. Louis teletype to Mobile dated 3/5/62. (Interoffice)

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ENCLOSURES:

Photographs of subjects ABBOTT and HEMMING are being forwarded to the Los Angeles, Miami and New Orleans Offices. Photograph of subject ABBOTT is also being forwarded to the Milwaukee and St. Louis Offices.

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IN CHARGE

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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

Agency				
Request Recd.				
Date Fwd.				
How Fwd.				
By				

Notations

STAT. SECT.

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- 1 - Bureau (47-50327)
 - 1 - USA, Mobile
 - 3 - Los Angeles (Encl 2)(47-8384)
 - 1 - Miami (Encl 2)(Info)
 - 2 - Milwaukee (Encl 1)
- 3 - New Orleans (Encl 2)(47-4674)
 - 1 - USA, Jackson
- 2 - Salt Lake City
- 2 - St. Louis (Encl 1)
- 2 - Mobile (47-909)

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Title of this case in referenced communications was carried as "UNSUB, aka Lt. John H. Emmett IMPERSONATION; ITSMV." Receiving offices insure that names and title are indexed.

LEADS:

All offices will when CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT is located interview him in detail regarding subject HEMMING, who reportedly made the trip to Mobile from California with ABBOTT in the stolen 1960 Mercury. Will determine from ABBOTT if HEMMING participated in the theft, had stolen knowledge of the automobile or received any of the proceeds from the sale. Will interview ABBOTT also regarding passing of checks at Mobile, Alabama, posing to be a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force at Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile.

LOS ANGELES

AT ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA. Will contact Jewel Tea Company, 1000 East Ball Road, where subject ABBOTT reportedly was employed from July, 1959 through October, 1961 in an effort to develop background information.

AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. Will interview CLARENCE LEWIS, 2330 East 7th Street, listed by ABBOTT as a reference. Will also interview RAYMOND TINSLEY, 2244 Faust Street, and OTTO CLUBS, 106 Covina, and RICHARD TWILIN, Tins Building Long Beach, California, Postal Employee, also listed by ABBOTT as references in an effort to locate subject. Will determine if subject has wife employed at Ford Company, Downey, California. Will report results of interview with owner and details of theft.

MIAMI

One copy is being furnished to the Miami Office as subject HEMMING indicated he will be residing in that Division and future investigation may be requested.

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MILWAUKEE

AT TOMMAH, WISCONSIN. Will interview LYDIA L. WATERPOOL, Post Office Box 203, listed as subject ABBOTT's mother. Will ascertain complete background regarding subject ABBOTT and set out leads to locate and apprehend.

NEW ORLEANS

AT BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI. Report results of interviews at Porter Auto Sales, Biloxi, and report recovery value of 1960 Mercury. Will exhibit photographs of subjects ABBOTT and HEMMING to witnesses at Porter Auto Sales and present to USA, Jackson, re prosecution.

SALT LAKE CITY

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. Bureau Identification Record under FBI #136 454 B for subject ABBOTT received 3/7/62 reflects he was previously subject of Bureau case CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, Bufile 26-201993, Office of Origin Salt Lake City. Will review file for background information and set out leads to locate and effect his apprehension. Will set out basis for caution statement apparently set forth in this file and if no longer pertinent advise auxiliary offices.

ST. LOUIS

AT POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI. Will report results of interview with owner, Starwalt Motor Sales. Will display photograph of subject ABBOTT to determine if he is individual who purchased automobile.

MOBILE

AT MOBILE, ALABAMA. Will report results of Laboratory examination requested. Will follow and report investigation being conducted by auxiliary offices.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Mobile
1 - United States Attorney, Jackson

Report of: SA HARRY J. DEGNAN Mobile
Date: March 21, 1962 Office:

Field Office File #: 47-909 Bureau File #: 47-50327

Title: CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT - FUGITIVE;
[REDACTED]
GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR.

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Character: IMPERSONATION; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION
OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE

Synopsis:

Unknown individual believed identical with subject ABBOTT posing as Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT, U.S. Air Force, cashed \$165.00 forged check at department store, Mobile, and attempted to cash \$195.00 check at jewelry store. Subject ABBOTT identified as individual who sold 1960 Chevrolet, VIN 01119F187625, on 11/15/61 to FELIX JOE DUGAS, Mobile, Alabama. Auto located in custody of JOE H. WESTON, Mobile, Alabama. Determined to have been obtained at Poplar Bluff, Mo., from Starwalt Motor Sales, on 11/8/61 by a CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT who gave \$1,495.00 worthless check. 1960 Mercury, VIN OJ34N502112, located Porter Auto Sales, Biloxi, Miss., where sold by a Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT, 2/22/62, for \$1,250.00. Mercury determined stolen from Urich-Nelson Mercury, 501 Atlantic Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., 2/18/62, by individual fitting subject ABBOTT's description. Subject HEMMING possibly came to Mobile, Ala., from Calif. in this automobile. Owners notified. Authorized complaint filed 3/14/62 before USC, Mobile, Ala., charging ABBOTT with violation Title 18, Section 2312, USC. Warrant issued. \$2,500 bond recommended. Fugitive Form Letter submitted. Recovery value \$1,800.00. SUBJECT ABBOTT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

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AT MOBILE, ALABAMA

MANNY BERZ, Manager, Gordon's Jewelry Store, Springdale Plaza, telephonically contacted Mobile Office at nine p.m., February 22, 1962, advising that an individual claiming to be Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT, United States Air Force, stationed at Brookley Air Force Base, had attempted to cash a check in the amount of \$195.00 drawn on the First National Bank of Mobile signed STEVE M. ESTES, maker, drawn on the account of the Estes Realty Corporation of Mobile. He stated this individual left the store leaving the check with him when he started to make a telephone call regarding the check. He stated he learned that a similar check in the amount of \$165.00 had been cashed at Gayfer's Department Store, Springdale Plaza.

ROBERT MAYO, Detective, Mobile Police Department, on February 23, 1962 advised that upon receipt of the complaint from Gayfer's Department Store and Gordon's Jewelry Store on the night of February 22, 1962 he went to Springdale Plaza where STEVE M. ESTES, owner of Estes Realty Corporation, came to Gayfer's store and after examining the \$165.00 check cashed there stated this apparently was a legitimate check stolen from his check book. He indicated to MAYO that [redacted] a former employee, had stopped by his office on the previous day with an unknown individual and that he suspected either [redacted] or this other person had taken these checks. MAYO stated based on this information they put out an arrest order for [redacted] who was arrested by the Mobile County Sheriff's Office later that night and placed in the Mobile City Jail on an Investigation charge. He stated subsequently on the night of February 22, 1962 one GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR., who was with [redacted] at the time of his arrest, was also arrested for Investigation.

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Date March 7, 1962

[redacted] was interviewed at the Mobile City Jail on February 23, 1962. He was advised that he did not have to furnish any information; that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law and that he was entitled to the services of an attorney.

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[redacted] voluntarily furnished handwriting specimens on a sheet of plain paper and on nine blank checks.

He denied knowledge regarding cashing of checks at Springdale Plaza. He stated the individual who was with him at Estes Realty Corporation was a person named ARCHIE whom he had met several years ago in Miami. He stated this individual returned to town to Mobile, hitchhiking, on February 20, 1962 and called him and had spent the night at his home. He stated he had not seen this individual for several days and that when he left he indicated he was going to Miami. He stated he did not know ARCHIE's name but described him as a white male, 28 years of age, 5'6", dark brown or black hair, weighing about 130 lbs.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained from observation and interview:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Brown, crewcut
Eyes	Blue
Build	Heavy
Complexion	Fair
Scars and Marks	Scar left side of back;

On 2/23/62 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 47-909

by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/1/62

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Relatives

Wife

Ex-wife

Parents

Previous arrests

left hand, index finger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Route 1,
Box 11. Theodore. Alabama

[REDACTED]

4211 Government Boulevard,
Montgomery, Alabama

Traffic violations;
disorderly conduct

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GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR. was interviewed at the Mobile City Jail on February 23, 1962. He was advised that he did not have to furnish any information; that any information furnished by him could be used against him in a court of law and that he was entitled to the services of an attorney.

HEMMING denied knowing anything about cashing of checks at Springdale Plaza and stated he recently arrived in Mobile, having hitchhiked from California. He stated he did not recall knowing anyone named ABBOTT and would furnish no information concerning him. He stated he had met [] casually a year or so ago in Miami and had telephonically contacted him while passing through Mobile.

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The following description was obtained:

Name	GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR., also known as Jerry Patrick
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	24
Date of Birth	March 1, 1937
Place of Birth	Los Angeles, California
Height	6'5"
Weight	225 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, wavy
Eyes	Blue
Military Service	U.S. Marine Corps, 1954-1958, USMC #1488247, Honorable Discharge
Social Security #	554-44-8667
Relatives	
Parents	Mr. and Mrs. GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, SR., 3843 East Blanche Street, Pasadena, California, states father

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by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/1/62

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Brothers

operates Atlantic Radio-TV
Repair, 1209 South Atlantic
Blvd., Alhambra, California

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] home;

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] college, Claremont,
California:

[REDACTED] home;
home

Sisters

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[REDACTED] home;
home

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Numerous other addresses contained in the billfold
of HEMMING were recorded in this file.

Arrests

[REDACTED]

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Remarks

[REDACTED] Arrested by Miami
Police Department for Vagrancy
in 1961 and released.
HEMMING claims has been active
in the anti-Castro movement in
Miami and Cuba and is known to
Agents JAMES O'CONNOR and
DEWYER (phonetic) of the Miami
Office. States his where-
abouts in Miami is generally
known to Dr. AUROLINI SANCHEZ,
433 West Flagler, Miami, Florida.

Date March 7, 1962

CAROL LONG, 225 5th Avenue, Chickasaw, Alabama, employee at Gordon's Jewelers, Springdale Plaza, advised between 8:00 and 8:15 p.m., on February 22, 1962, an individual who showed her some type of military identification as Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT came into the store and purchased a wristwatch in payment for which he gave her a \$195.00 check dated February 22, 1962 payable to Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT signed STEVE ESTES drawn on the First National Bank, Mobile, Alabama. She stated she turned this check over to the manager, MANNY BERZ, and she understood this individual left the store while BERZ was attempting to determine the validity of this check.

She described this individual as a white male, 5'5", 150 lbs., age late thirties, dark hair combed back and states he had some kind of a blue military pass indicating he was stationed at Brookley Air Force Base and was a Lieutenant in the United States Air Force.

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by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/1/62

Date March 20, 1962

CAROL LONG was shown a number of photographs including a photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B, however she failed to select this photograph as being identical with the individual who had attempted to cash a check at this store on February 22, 1962. When this photograph was pointed out to her, she stated it may resemble this individual but she could not be certain.

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by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/14/62

Date March 7, 1962

MANNY BERZ, Manager, Gordon's Jewelers, Springdale Plaza, made available a check dated February 22, 1962 in the amount of \$195.00 payable to Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT signed STEVE ESTES drawn on the First National Bank, Mobile, which he stated was received by him from his clerk, CAROL LONG. He stated the individual who tendered this check was a white male in his thirties, 5'5" tall, approximately 150 pounds, having dark hair and had military identification. He stated when he went back to use the telephone to determine if this was a valid check, this individual left and did not return. He stated he alerted the neighboring stores in the Springdale Plaza area and later learned a \$165.00 check similar to his had been cashed at Gayfer's Department Store.

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by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/1/62

Date March 20, 1962

MANNY BERZ was contacted and a number of photographs including the photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B, was shown to him however he failed to select ABBOTT's photograph as being identical with the individual who had attempted to cash the check at that store.

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Date March 7, 1962

CAROLINE COLQUETT, 4B Dauphinwood Drive, employee of the Credit Department of Gayfer's Department Store, advised that at approximately 7:30 p.m. on February 22, 1962 she cashed a check for approximately \$165.00 payable to a Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT signed STEVE ESTES drawn on the First National Bank of Mobile. She stated the individual cashing this check was a white male, approximately 5'5" tall, 160 to 170 pounds, black short hair. She stated this individual showed her some type of identification and indicated he was a Lieutenant in the United States Air Force stationed at Brookley Air Force Base. She stated she understood this check was a forgery although it has not been returned as yet to Gayfer's Department Store but would probably later be made available for examination if necessary.

On 2/23/62 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 47-909
by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/1/62

Date March 20, 1962

CAROLINE COLQUETT was shown a number of photographs, including a photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B, however she failed to select this photograph as being identical with the person cashing the check at this store. In fact, she stated she did not feel photograph of ABBOTT could be this person.

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March 7, 1962

Date _____

STEVEN ESTES, 717 Holcombe Avenue, Mobile, advised he is the operator of Estes Real Estate Corporation, at the above address.

He stated on the night of February 22, 1962 he went to Springdale Plaza, Gayfer's Department Store, after learning that a check bearing his signature as maker was cashed at that store. He stated he viewed the check and that while this was a legitimate check blank of his company, his signature was a forgery. He stated he recalled that [redacted] a former employee, and an unknown individual had stopped by his office on February 21, 1962 to use a typewriter supposedly to draw up a lease, and that he has since determined a number of checks were torn out of his check book.

The individual who was with [redacted] was a white male, 25 to 30, approximately 5'6" tall, 145 pounds, having dark hair and dark complexion. He stated this individual was reportedly seen by JOHN BLACK who is employed at the same office space as he.

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March 12, 1962
Date _____

ROBERT DEAN, Manager, Palms Motel, Highway 90, Mobile, advised their records reflected a JOSEPH M. FAGAN, Santa Barbara, California, registered at that motel in Room 16 on February 20, 1962 and was allegedly driving an automobile bearing a California license JUJ-938. He stated that two other individuals according to the records were also in the room however their last names were only indicated as PATRICK and ARMENIO. He stated these individuals checked out on the night of February 22, 1962. He stated the records of the motel reflecting the following telephone calls were made:

February 22, 1962 to 479-1426;

February 22, 1962 to 471-4739;

February 22, 1962 to 471-4739;

February 21, 1962 to 471-9320.

On 2/28/62 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 47-909
by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/6/62

March 13, 1962

Date

[redacted] was interviewed at the Mobile County Jail. He was advised that he did not have to furnish a statement; that any statement he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law and that he was entitled to the services of an attorney.

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[redacted] stated he desired to furnish some information however he would refuse to testify to any of the following information.

He stated that he had first met ARCHIE, the individual who was with him at Estes Realty Corporation on February 21, 1962, in Miami, Florida, a year or so ago. He stated in November of 1961 ARCHIE arrived in Mobile driving a 1960 tan Chevrolet with Missouri license. He stated ARCHIE called him and told him he wanted to sell the car. He stated while he does not recall their specific conversation, he does remember he was of the impression something was wrong with the car and believes ARCHIE may have said something about a check being issued for the car. He stated ARCHIE sold this car to FELIX JOE DUGAS who several days later sold the car to JOE BAILEY Motors. He stated ARCHIE left Mobile and he did not see him again.

He stated about two weeks ago he received a long distance call from ARCHIE from California wherein ARCHIE indicated he was coming to Mobile and would look him up. He stated ARCHIE arrived in Mobile about February 20, 1962. At this time ARCHIE was accompanied by a JERRY PATRICK whom he, [redacted] had also met while in Miami about a year ago. He stated they registered at the Palms Motel on Highway 90 and ARCHIE was driving a 1960 blue and white four door hard top Mercury bearing California license. He stated ARCHIE indicated he was going to sell the car and obtain papers and a Mobile tag for this automobile and on February 22, 1962 sold this car to the Pringle Ford dealers in Biloxi, Mississippi. [redacted] stated that he did not

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Mobile, Alabama

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On SAs ALLISON A. CATLIN
and HARRY J. DEGNAN

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Date dictated 3/7/62

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receive any money from this transaction nor does he definitely know this Mercury was stolen. He stated it was his impression that JERRY PATRICK, true name GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR., came from California with ARCHIE however he is not certain HEMMING knew this automobile was stolen or that he received any of the proceeds of its sale.

denied any knowledge regarding theft of checks at Estes Realty Corporation or of cashing of the checks by ARCHIE at Springdale Plaza. He stated he believed ARCHIE's correct name was ARCHIE ABBOTT although he understands he goes by the name ARCHIE ARMENIO.

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He described ARCHIE as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'5"
Weight	130 to 135 pounds
Hair	Dark Brown
Residence	Allegedly comes from California.

March 13, 1962

Date _____

GERALD PATRICK HEMMING, JR. was located at the Greyhound Bus Depot on March 1, 1962, stating he had been released from the Mobile City Jail that date after his case was nol-prossed. He was advised that he did not have to furnish any information, that any information furnished by him could be used in a court of law against him and that he was entitled to the services of an attorney.

HEMMING still maintained he hitchhiked from California to Mobile and that to his knowledge he was not acquainted with anyone named ARCHIE. He also stated he could not recall any information regarding a 1960 Mercury or concerning any checks passed at Springdale Plaza.

HEMMING stated he was leaving by bus that day and intended to go to Miami where he would again be active with the Cuban movement.

On 3/1/62 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 47-909
by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/7/62

March 14, 1962

Date

JOE BAILEY, Bailey Auto Sales, 1050 Springhill Avenue, advised he had purchased a 1960 Chevrolet, four door, Vehicle Identification Number 01119F187625, from FELIX J. DUGAS on November 14, 1961 or November 15, 1961. He stated his records indicated he had sold this car on November 14, 1961 to JOE H. WESTON, whose address at that time was 1963 West Hillwood Drive, Mobile. He stated his records indicated he received \$1,428.00 for the sale of this automobile.

BAILEY stated he recalled when purchasing this automobile DUGAS made available to him a complete set of papers, including original title, however most of these papers were furnished to JOE H. WESTON when he purchased the automobile. BAILEY did locate a bill of sale dated November 15, 1961 which reflected that he had purchased this automobile from Roy Motors (F. J. DUGAS), 300 North Wilson Avenue, Prichard, Alabama, on November 15, 1961 for \$1,150.00. BAILEY also exhibited an uncanceled check dated November 14, 1961 payable to Roy Motors drawn on the First National Bank, Mobile, in the amount of \$1,150.00. He stated he recalled he gave this check to DUGAS but asked him to hold it until the next day and that on the following day THOMAS BOSARGE, a partner of DUGAS', returned to the lot and he gave him the cash for this automobile. He exhibited a receipt signed by BOSARGE indicating payment in full for 1960 Chevrolet of \$1,150.00. This receipt was dated November 15, 1961.

On 3/2/62 at Mobile, Alabama File # MO 47-909
by SAs ALLISON A. CATLIN
and HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/8/62

March 15, 1962

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JOE H. WESTON, 2113 West Hillwood Drive, Mobile, advised he purchased a 1960 brown four door, Chevrolet Biscayne, six cylinder, Vehicle Identification Number 01119F187625, from JOE BAILEY Auto Sales. He stated he believed he purchased this automobile on approximately November 21, 1961 but did not receive the bill of sale from BAILEY until sometime later.

He exhibited State of Illinois title for this car reflecting it had been purchased new by the V. S. WALGREEN, 550 Northwestern Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He stated the title indicated this car was purchased new on April 4, 1960. Also he made available a bill of sale dated July 24, 1961 indicating this automobile had been sold to Starwalt Auto Sales, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, on July 24, 1961 from LEON COLLIE Car Exchange, Murray, Kentucky. He also had a bill of sale dated November 8, 1961 from Starwalt Auto Sales, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, by ED SANDERS reflecting sale of this car to CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, Building 6, Room 3, VA Hospital, Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

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by SA HARRY J. DEGNAN :gre Date dictated 3/9/62

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At 2113 West Hillwood Drive Special Agents ALLISON A. CATLIN and HARRY J. DEGNAN examined a 1960 brown four door Biscayne Chevrolet. This automobile was a six cylinder and the Serial Number was observed to be 01119F187625. True Serial Number was observed as 60F187625. This automobile was bearing 1962 Alabama license 2-85305 and the mileage was indicated as 19,369.

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New Orleans by communication dated March 2, 1962 advised that a 1960 Mercury four door hard top white over blue, Serial Number OJ34N502112, bearing 1962 Alabama license 2-79564, was located at Porter Avenue Auto Sales, 152 Porter Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi, which is owned by Pringle Brothers Ford Company. C. D. GALLOWAY, Manager, advised this automobile purchased February 22, 1962 from First Lt. JOHN H. EMMETT, USN 1855N, Woodlawn Drive, Mobile, Alabama, for \$1,250.00. A Car Order Form dated February 13, 1961 and Conditional Sales Contract marked paid from Johnson Chevrolet, Inc., 300 St. Joseph Street, Mobile, was used as proof of ownership. GALLOWAY stated EMMETT was followed to the lot by two unknown men in a 1960 Ford Falcon, four door, white, bearing Alabama license, who expressed desire to purchase this Mercury if the sale was made. After the sale was made GALLOWAY drove EMMETT to a bank in Biloxi to get the check cashed and left him there and when he returned to the lot one of the unknown men tried out the Mercury then both left. BILL TINNIN, Meridian, Mississippi, Auto Auction, observed these two men at the auto lot and warned GALLOWAY about them being crooked. He described EMMETT as age forty, 140 pounds, 5'4", very dark complexioned. He advised this automobile was presently stored at Porter Auto Sales in running condition.

St. Louis by communication dated March 5, 1962 advised CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT on November 8, 1961 opened an account with a \$10.00 deposit at the State Bank of Poplar Bluff, Poplar Bluff, Missouri. On the same date he gave Starwalt Motor Company, Poplar Bluff, a check for \$1,495.00 drawn on the State Bank of Poplar Bluff for instant 1960 Chevrolet. Warrant outstanding Butler County, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, charging ABBOTT with cheat and defraud concerning instant matter. ABBOTT obtained car approximately four p.m., November 8, 1961. ABBOTT was to title car and return November 9, 1961.

ABBOTT employed Poplar Bluff Veterans Administration Hospital as Temporary Laborer - Housekeeper, October 11, 1961. Last date worked November 7, 1961, left without

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giving notice. Records Veterans Administration Hospital, Poplar Bluff, reflect subject's mother to be LYDIA L. WATERPOOL, Post Office Box 203, Tommah, Wisconsin. Employed Jewel Tea Company, 1000 East Ball Road, Anaheim, California, July, 1959 through October, 1961. Air Force Serial Number 17217058. Employed Filling Station by CLARENCE LEWIS, 2330 East Seventh Street, Long Beach, California, from May, 1957 through July, 1959. Employed restaurant Tommah, Wisconsin, Post Office Box 203, 1952 through 1957. References listed as RAYMOND TINSLEY, 2244 Faust, Long Beach, California, OTTO CLUBS, 106 Covina, Long Beach, California, and RICHARD TWILIN, Tinis Building, Long Beach, California, Postal Employee. Date of Birth given as June 24, 1926, at Warren, Wisconsin. Social Security No. 399-18-5734.

Sheriff, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, Butler County, received information from Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, under number 669479 that CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT arrested June 11, 1952, Colorado Springs, Colorado, Burglary, no disposition. Subject described:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	June 24, 1926
Place of Birth	Warren, Michigan
Height	5'4"
Weight	132 pounds
Hair	Dark Brown
Eyes	Brown
Residence	1205 North Nevada, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Los Angeles by communication dated March 7, 1962 advised 1960 Mercury four door, Serial Number OJ34N502112, traced from factory to Urich-Nelson Mercury, 501 Atlantic Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. Mrs. NELSON, above company, contacted March 7, 1962 and advised car reported stolen East Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, February 19, 1962.

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Salesman, Urich-Nelson, advised March 7, 1962 that a white, male, American, age 35, height 5'6", weight 140, brown hair, brown eyes, medium complexion, came to lot February 17, 1962 and expressed interest in purchasing 1960 two door Mercury. Stated was purchasing for girlfriend who worked for phone company, Bellflower, California. Unsub asked to take car to mechanic for road test and offered to leave \$100 to show sincerity. Did not take 1960 Mercury two door, but stated would talk over with girlfriend. Same person returned February 18, 1962 and salesman busy with other customers. Salesman told unsub two door Mercury sold and tried to interest him in four door model. Unsub again offered to furnish \$100 deposit, but salesman told him unnecessary and continued with other customer. Unsub then drove 1960 Mercury, Serial Number J34N502112, California license RNY 785, from lot, and salesman advised of same by another salesman. Salesman stated he felt all right and unsub would return with car. Unsub did not return with car, and salesman reported to East Los Angeles Sheriff's Office February 19, 1962.

Sergeant DOWN, East Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, advised March 7, 1962 report made by salesman, Urich-Nelson, re above Mercury February 19, 1962, but his station did not put through immediately if stolen due to circumstances of unsub obtaining car. He was advised of location of Mercury in Mobile and stated would now put through theft report.

JAMES DAVIDSON, Santa Ana, California, contacted and advised knows ARCHIE ABBOTT, having met him Miami, Florida, February, 1961. Does not know his present whereabouts. States ABBOTT supposedly has wife working for phone company, Downey, California.

March 20, 1962

Date

FELIX JOE DUGAS, 6401 Ziegler Boulevard, advised he purchased a 1960 Chevrolet, tan four door, six cylinder, in November, 1961 from an individual who was introduced to him by [redacted]. He stated [redacted] called him and told him this individual had to dispose of his car as he had issued a \$495.00 worthless check and needed to sell the car to cover the check. He stated [redacted] brought this individual to the lot and after trying out the car he agreed to purchase it for \$950.00. He stated it was his understanding [redacted] was to get either one or two hundred dollars as a commission for selling the car and, as best he recalls, he issued two checks, one for \$750.00, one for \$100.00 and believes he gave \$100 cash.

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He exhibited a bill of sale dated November 15, 1961 reflecting the sale of this automobile, a 1960 Chevrolet Biscayne, four door, Serial Number 01119F187625, Missouri license D2307F, from CLARENCE A. ABBOTT, Highway 67 North, Poplar Bluff, Missouri. The purchase price according to this bill of sale was \$1,175.00 however DUGAS explained he inserted \$1,175.00 rather than \$950.00 as he intended to sell this automobile locally and the person purchasing the car usually asked to see the bill of sale and bases his offer on the amount on the bill of sale.

He stated he recalls ABBOTT returned the following day and stated that he could not cash the check or was having difficulty cashing the check at which time he believes he gave ABBOTT the cash for the \$750.00 check although he feels certain the \$100.00 check went through the bank and was cleared.

He stated he sold this car either the same night or the following day to JOE BAILEY Motors for \$1,150.00. DUGAS stated he recalled the individual who sold the car to him had a complete set of title papers and he had absolutely no reason to suspect this car was stolen. DUGAS

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SAs ALLISON A. CATLIN
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advised THOMAS BOSARGE, who is in partnership with him,
was present when he purchased this automobile.

Date March 20, 1962

FELIX JOE DUGAS was shown a number of photographs including photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B. He immediately selected the photograph of ABBOTT as being identical with the individual who sold him the 1960 Chevrolet.

DUGAS also stated that approximately a month or ~~three~~ weeks ago he was telephonically contacted by [redacted] who asked him if he was interested in buying a 1960 Mercury however he declined as [redacted] indicated he wanted \$1,250.00 for the automobile.

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THOMAS BOSARGE, 2457 Carigan Drive, on March 13, 1962 was shown a number of photographs, including the photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B. He advised the photograph of ABBOTT was identical with the individual whom he had seen selling a 1960 Chevrolet in November, 1961 to FELIX JOE DUGAS. He stated this individual was at that time in the company of [redacted] and he does not recall having seen him before or since. He stated the photograph is a good likeness of ABBOTT although he may look slightly older than in the photograph.

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on March 9, 1962 was shown a number of photographs, including the photograph of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT. FBI No. 136 454 B. [redacted] wife of [redacted] immediately selected the photograph of ABBOTT as being identical with an individual whom she had seen with her husband several weeks prior who was introduced to her as ARCHIE. She stated the photograph is a good likeness of ARCHIE although he may look slightly older than he appears in the photograph.

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The following identification record dated March 7, 1962 was received for CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, FBI No. 136 454 B:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested/Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
NRS Milwaukee Wis	Clarence Archie Abbott #306 86 92	5/9/44		
PD Milwaukee Wis	Clarence Archie Abbott #A-10485	appl 1/5/45		
PD Milwaukee Wis	Clarence Archie Abbott #44944	2/12/45	burglary	
Army	Clarence Archie Abbott #RA17 217 058	1/23/47 Cam McCoy Wisconsin		
PD Colorado Springs, Colo	Clarence Archie Abbott #125180	6/11/52	burglary	
St Pen Danon City Colo	Clarence Archie Abbott #27242	7/19/52	burg with force	2-4 yrs 10/26/53 paroled 2/26/55 disch from parole
Air Force	Clarence Archie Abbott #AF 17 217 058	5/6/55 Newark NJ		
OSI	Clarence Archie Abbott #41-608 49	appl FP 7/13/55		

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PD Sacramento Calif	Clarence Archie Abbott #60388	11/29/55	cnr to SO Orland Glen Co Viol 476 PC	taken to Orland Calif 11/29/55
SO Willows Calif	Clarence Archie Abbott #9335	11/30/55	PT	180 days - 150 days susp
USM San Fran Calif	Clarence Archie Abbott #Daniels #4	1-6-56	Dyer Act	3 yrs Fed Pen by USDC Sacramento Calif 2-6-56 on chg of ITSMV
Fed Corr Inst San Pedro Calif	Clarence Archie Abbott #3706-CAL	2-10-56	NMVTA	3 yrs

JOHN ERMOLD, Special Agent, OSI, Brookley Air Force Base, advised the records of that base reflect no military or civilian employee under the name of JOHN H. EMMETT.

The facts of this case were discussed on March 13, 1962 with VERNOL R. JANSEN, JR., United States Attorney, Southern District of Alabama, by Special Agent HARRY J. DEGNAN. Mr. JANSEN stated he would authorize filing of Federal process against CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT. He stated he would decline prosecution re possible involvement of [redacted] as [redacted] on February 26, 1962 was sentenced to thirty months custody of the Attorney General and is presently in Tallahassee Correctional Institute. He stated had [redacted] involvement been known to them at the time he was sentenced, it would have been taken into consideration in sentencing him. He stated he would withhold his prosecutive opinion as to GERALD PATRICK HEMMING

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to determine if, after location of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT and other investigation is conducted, it appears HEMMING is definitely involved in the interstate transportation of the 1960 Mercury.

On March 14, 1962 Special Agent JAMES L. COLLINS filed a complaint before United States Commissioner ALEX T. HOWARD, Mobile, charging ABBOTT with Violation Title 18, Section 2312, United States Code, in that he transported or caused to be transported from Poplar Bluff, Missouri, to Mobile, Alabama, on or about November 15, 1961 a 1960 Chevrolet, Vehicle Identification Number 01119F187625, knowing same to have been stolen. Warrant was issued and delivered to the United States Marshal. Mr. JANSEN recommended \$2,500 bond, returnable Mobile, in the event of ABBOTT's arrest.

The following description of CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT was furnished under FBI No. 136 454 B:

Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Height	5'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight	140 pounds
Hair	Dark Brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark florid
Build	Medium
Scars and Marks	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " scar center of back, small scar back of thumb left hand
Date of Birth	June 24, 1926
Place of Birth	Warrens, Wisconsin
Citizenship	USA
Residence	Tomah, Wisconsin, in 1956
Company	Boynton Cab Company in 1945
Occupation	Office work
Fingerprint Classification	25 L 1 R IOO 10 Ref T L 1 R IOI R
Alias:	Shorty Abbott

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, MOBILE /47-909/

FROM SAC, LAS VEGAS /26-NEW/

also known as Fugitive

CLARENCE ARCHIE ABBOTT, AKA., ENG., GERALD PATRICK HEMMING,

also known as Impersonation -

JR., AKA., IMP. ITSMV Interstate Transportation of Stolen Motor Vehicle

SUBJECT ABBOTT TURNED SELF IN TO FBI, LAS VEGAS, TWENTYNINTH

INSTANT. ADMITTED THEFT AND INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF THREE AUTO-

MOBILES IN SIGNED STATEMENTS INCLUDING VIOLATION WITH WHICH

CHARGED IN MOBILE, ALA. SUBJECT WAS NOT ARMED. ALSO ADMITTED IMPERSON-

NATION VIOLATION IN MOBILE.

SUBJECT DESIRES TO BE HANDLED LAS VEGAS UNDER RULE TWENTY
AND WILL WAIVE INDICTMENT.

FURNISHED INFO RE INVOLVEMENT SUBJECT HEMMING IN ONE DYER
ACT AND DESCRIBED HIM AS LEADER ANTI CASTRO MOVEMENT IN EVERGLADES
IN FLORIDA. BELIEVES HEMMING PRESENTLY IN MIAMI BEACH WITH ABOVE
MOVEMENT.

U. S. Marshal
MOBILE ADVISE USM AND USA AND HAVE NECESSARY PAPERS FORWARDED
U. S. Marshal
TO USM, LAS VEGAS. ADVISE IF USA, MOBILE AGREEABLE RULE TWENTY

SUBJECT APPEARED BEFORE USC, LAS VEGAS, TWENTYNINTH INSTANT.

U. S. Marshal
WAIVED REMOVAL HEARING AND REMAANDED CUSTODY USM IN LTU TWENTYFIVE
HUNDRED DOLLAR BOND.

SUBJECT MAY HAVE SUICIDAL TENDENCIES. P.

END ACK PLS

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